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January 22, 1992

The Honorable Paul Wellstone 702 Hart Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Sir:

I am writing in regard to the FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making Docket 92-235. If this proposed rule is implemented, it will have a negative effect on the hobby I share with several hundred others in Minnesota -- building and flying radio controlled model airplanes. This proposed rule would make it impossible to fly with any assurance of safety.

The rule will allow additional frequencies placed so close to the existing ones that interference is highly likely to occur. This means that:

- I will lose control of the plane that I am flying when interference occurs. If so, it will crash and may inflict personal injury and/or property damage. (These planes weigh 2 - 10 pounds.)
- The equipment that I own will be virtually useless -- this represents an investment of over \$2,000 and many hours of construction time.

The many radio-controlled airplane hobbyists in the Minneapolis / St. Paul area and throughout Minnesota will also face these problems should the rule be adopted.

Please vote NO on this proposal and encourage other senators to do so also.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Conrad L. Sowder 5236 12th Ave S.

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many hours of pleasure from building and operating radio controlled models. It was VERY DISTRESS to hear that the FCC is proposing to make about 32 of the 50 channels that are now user by the RC models virtual useless. Most of my radio equipment was purchased used, because new equipment is out of my price range. PR Docket 92-235 will make my 5 radios useless. These frequencies that will be inserted between the ones that I use at almost four times the power output, and Mobil so it won't even be

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From:

Robert Kraft

13938 Eveleth Ct.

Apple Valley, Mn. 55124

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Regarding: NPRM-PR Docket 92-235

Dear Sir,

The Academy of Model Aeronautics has recently informed me, that the FCC has decided to jeopardize sixty percent of the frequencies, that we are currently using. This concerns me greatly as I still haven't completely recovered from the last brain storm they had, regarding narrow band frequency.

It doesn't seem fair that they should be able to destroy the considerable investment that I and my fellow club members have made in our equipment. Consider the fact that they could have rearranged the frequencies "before" having us spend good money to narrow band our radios on worthless frequencies.

Our club, the Rich Valley Fliers are upset and worried that the FCC doesn't seem to be concerned about the safety of the



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Dear Mr. Wellstone:

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

I have been involved in radio-control Model Aviation of THE SCRETARY for a number of years and find the selecting, building and flying of these models to be a challenging and rewarding activity. I am an active member of the Rice County Radio Control Flyers club and thoroughly enjoy the camaraderie this hobby affords.

I have learned of and I am very concerned with proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission, namely PR Docket 92-235. If these rules are adopted, they will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies assigned for model use and will cause us great concern for the safe operation of these models.

Our models operate on the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch. In it's present state this does not cause serious problems because our radio control frequencies in this band are spaced far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies to permit us to share the band without interference with each other.

The proposal by the FCC would create more land mobile frequencies by splitting the present frequencies into narrower band widths and rearrange the band plan. This would mean that many land mobile frequencies would move so close to the radio control frequencies as to cause interference to radio controlled models. It appears that, with the proposal, only 19 frequencies of the present available 50 frequencies assigned to radio control model airplanes would be usable.

Radio control modelers are very safety conscious as can be attested by our fine safety record. We carefully control frequency use, when more than one flyer is flying, so that one will not interfere with the others. With our present 50 available frequencies, this does not pose a problem and everyone is able to enjoy the hobby to the extent he wishes. The reduction in the amount of frequencies available would hamper our safety efforts and likely increase accidents and injuries. The models do get quite large and are quite expensive to build. The loss of

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Our radio-control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us. eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band (for R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

When we operate our R/C models, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio-control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. It is a sizeable industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my passime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We all need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid haiting these proposals from going into effect.

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I urge you to vote against any attempt to pass PR Docket 92-235. Please write me at address below to inform me on how you will vote.

Sincerly,

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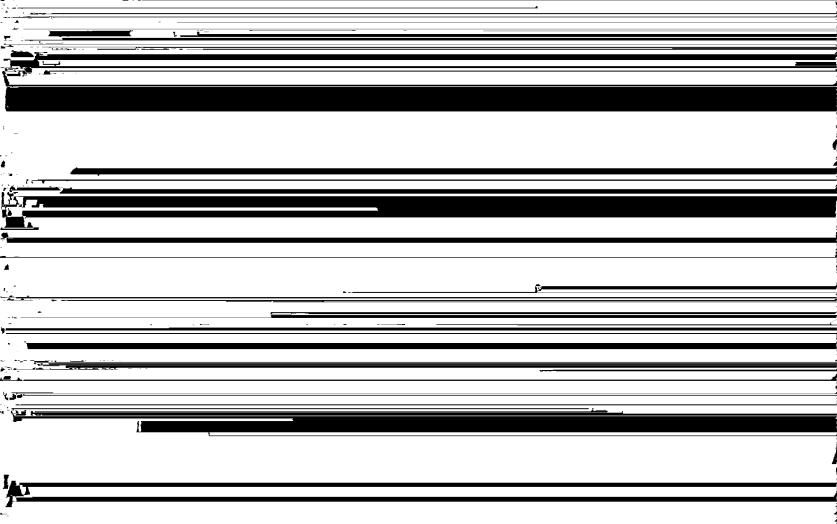
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Dear Senator Wellstone:

This is to request your support in defeating a proposed change to FCC regulations regarding Radio Control frequencies. The new regulations would involve inserting new assigned frequencies between those which have been assigned exclusively for radio contolled model equipment, such as airplanes, boats, cars, etc.

This change would have a profound effect on model frequency use. It could impose huge transmitters only 2.5kHz away from a large number of our 72 and 75MHz frequencies, with the resulting loss of many model channels, at best, and present serious danger to nearby people, at worst. The frequency tolerances could place signals on top of those used for aircraft with resulting loss of control of the model. The model airplanes, which are



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The Honorable
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United States Senate

Washington, D.C. 20510

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Mr. Wellstone:

I have enjoyed the hobby of model airplane flying for approximately twenty five years. I am an active member of the Saint Paul Remote Control Modelers Club and I thoroughly enjoy the hobby. It has come to my attention that the investment which I have made throughout the years may be forfeited due to new regulations.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wingspans of up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise for the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

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My concern is the proposed rule changes that are currently under consideration by the FCC. The proceeding is PR DOCKET 92-233. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usable frequencies for model planes, and greatly increase the risk of accidents.

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Dear Sir,

I am a retired person deeply involved in radio controlled model airplanes. I belong to a club with a membership approaching 200. My investment in models is approximately \$2000 even though I've been involved only about five years.

You can probably understand my concern and that of our club and many others accross the country over rule changes proposed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If the proceeding PR Docket 92-235 is adopted, the new rules will have a tremendous effect on the usability of frequencies now assigned to model airplane use. It will cause a great increase in the risk for accidents due to interference to control frequencies.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band which is primarily used for land mobile operations. Our frequencies are now adequately separated so that we do not interfere with each other. Fresently, we have 50 channels assigned for model airplane control. Much of our ativity involves hundreds of "flyers" at organized events and contests. The channels now assigned to us are necessary for our activities.

The proposed rule changes would cut the number of our usable channels to 19, and also split channel frequencies into narrower bandwidths. The frequency bands would also be rearranged to create

more land channels. Many land frequencies would move closer to radio control frequencies resulting in interference to radio control operations. We go to great lengths to assure safety in our operations, including <u>rules recarding use of radio channels. Interference to radio</u>

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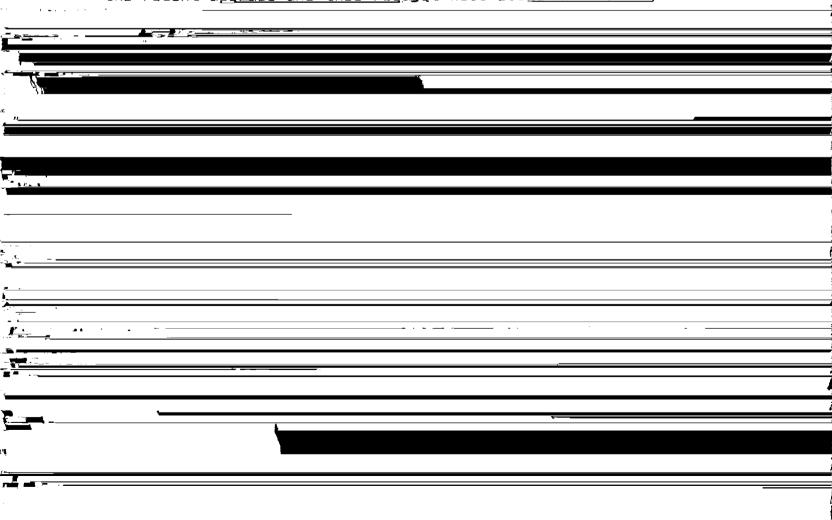
Dear Senator Wellstone:

I urge you to help defeat the FCC frequency request NPRM-PR Docket 92-235.

The above mentioned frequency request will introduce frequencies very close to channels presently used for the control of miniature aircraft.

The primary effect of this change will be to obsolete recently purchased radio control equipment, equipment purchased to comply with policies made only recently which made the hobby of miniature aircraft more reliable and safe.

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